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Exploring Lowell Tours and Programs – October 2003

Join a Ranger for a program exploring lesser known topics and places in Lowell's history. All programs are free of charge and begin at 2:30 p.m. Most programs are 90 minutes in length and are conducted rain or shine. Reservations are recommended for all programs. Call (978)970-5000. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended for all tours.

Lowell Celebrates Kerouac: Join us in participating in the annual arts and literature festival commemorating Jack Kerouac and his hometown of Lowell, Massachusetts.

Friday, October 3, 2:30 p.m. - "Hey, Jack Kerouac"

On this walking tour, see Lowell through the eyes and writing of Jack Kerouac, one of America's most influential Beat writers. Tour begins at Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market Street, Lowell.

Saturday, October 4, 2:30 p.m. - Mémère and Pépère

Explore some sites associated with the French-Canadian immigration to Lowell occurring from 1860-1920. Tour begins at Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market Street, Lowell.

Sunday, October 5, 2:30 p.m. - Kerouac on the Merrimack: His First "Road"

Growing up along the Merrimack River, Jack Kerouac developed a love for rivers. Explore the river and its lasting impressions on Jack by reading excerpts from *The Town and The City*, *Maggie Cassidy*, *Dr. Sax*, and *Desolation Angels*. Tour begins at Boott Cotton Mills Museum, 400 Foot of John Street, Lowell.

Sunday, October 19, 2:30 p.m. - Suffolk Mill Waterpower Tour

Ride the trolley to the old Suffolk Mill. Follow the transmission of waterpower from the Northern Canal through the turbine to an operating power loom. Tour begins at Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market Street, Lowell.

Saturday October 25, 2:30 p.m. - Suffolk Mill Waterpower Tour

Ride the trolley to the old Suffolk Mill. Follow the transmission of waterpower from the Northern Canal through the turbine to an operating power loom. Tour begins at Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market Street, Lowell.

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